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COMMISSIONERS DOUG LITTLE - Chairman **BOB STUMP BOB BURNS** TOM FORESE ANDY TOBIN

W-20770A-16-0020

TO ALL PARTIES:

Enclosed please find the recommendation of Administrative Law Judge Scott M. Hesla. The recommendation has been filed in the form of an Order on:

HYDRO-RESOURCES, INC. (RATES)

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JUNE 7, 2016

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JUNE 14, 2016 AND JUNE 15, 2016

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1 BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 2 COMMISSIONERS 3 DOUG LITTLE - Chairman **BOB STUMP** 4 **BOB BURNS** TOM FORESE 5 ANDY TOBIN 6 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DOCKET NO. W-20770A-16-0020 7 HYDRO-RESOURCES, INC. FOR A DETERMINATION OF THE FAIR VALUE OF ITS DECISION NO. UTILITY PLANT AND PROPERTY AND TO SET RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY SERVICE **ORDER** 9 BASED THEREON. 10 Open Meeting June 14 and June 15, 2016 11 Phoenix, Arizona 12 BY THE COMMISSION: 13 14 Having considered the entire record herein and being fully advised in the premises, the 15 Commission finds, concludes, and orders that: 16 FINDINGS OF FACT 17 I. **Procedural History** 18 1. On January 20, 2016, Hydro-Resources, Inc. ("Hydro" or "Company") filed an 19 application with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for a determination of the fair 20 value of its water utility plant and property and to set rates and charges for utility service based 21 thereon. 22 2. On February 19, 2016, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") issued a 23 Letter of Sufficiency stating that the Company's application had met the sufficiency requirements 24 outlined in the Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R14-2-103, and classifying Hydro as a Class 25 D utility. 26 3. On April 5, 2016, Hydro filed an affidavit certifying that notice of the rate application 27 had been mailed to customers on January 26, 2016. 28

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4. On April 6, 2016, Hydro filed revised proposed service and installation charges.

- 5. On May 4, 2016, Staff filed a Staff Report recommending approval of the rate application, subject to Staff's recommended terms and conditions. Staff's recommendations include, among other things, a compliance requirement that the Company file a report acknowledging that its fire pump control system has been converted from manual to automatic control.¹
- 6. On May 6, 2016, Staff filed an e-mail communication between Staff and the Company, in which the Company states that the estimated cost of converting the fire pump from manual to automatic control is \$14,580.²

II. **Background**

- 7. Hydro is an Arizona "S" corporation providing water utility service to approximately 98 metered connections in a service area located in Tusayan, Arizona, an area just south of the Grand Canyon National Park's south rim entrance in Coconino County. The Commission granted Hydro a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N") and approved Hydro's current rates and charges in Decision No. 74742 (September 15, 2014).
- 8. Hydro's water system consists of two groundwater wells capable of producing approximately 118 gallons per minute ("gpm") of total capacity; one standpipe; two storage tanks with a combined total storage capacity of 3,500,000 gallons; one fire pump; one pump house; five fire hydrants; and a distribution system.
- 9. During the test year ending September 30, 2015, the Company reported 33,990,000 gallons of water produced³ and 30,054,000 gallons of water sold, resulting in 3,936,000 gallons of non-revenue water, or a water loss ratio of 11.58 percent.⁴ Staff notes that the Company's nonrevenue water (the difference between the gallons of water produced and sold) includes water use

¹ The fire pump provides additional water pressure and fire flow in the event that the distribution system pressure and flow becomes insufficient to fight a fire. Generally, fire pumps are designed to operate via automatic control to prevent any delay in meeting the pressure and flow demand required during an incident such as a fire. In Decision No. 74742 (September 15, 2014), the Commission ordered the Company to conduct an engineering review to evaluate and determine the feasibility and cost for converting its fire pump from manual to automatic control. The Company completed its engineering review and is currently in the process of installing the equipment, controls, and wiring necessary to convert the fire pump from manual to automatic control.

² Neither the Company nor Staff proposed to include the estimated cost of the fire pump conversion in rate base. ³ The Company pumped 30,823,000 gallons and purchased an additional 3,167,000 gallons.

⁴ Staff considers a water loss ratio greater than 10 percent to be unacceptable.

defined by the American Water Works Association ("AWWA") as "Unbilled Authorized Consumption" (water used for firefighting, flushing, etc.), as well as water loss defined by the AWWA as "Apparent Losses" (water loss due to meter inaccuracies, unauthorized consumption or theft, and systematic data handling errors), and "Real Losses" (water loss due to system leakage and storage tank overflows). According to Staff, the non-revenue water attributable to Unbilled Authorized Consumption should be accounted for and removed from the water loss ratio calculation in order to provide a more accurate account of system water loss. Staff therefore recommends that the Company begin tracking, quantifying, and recording all consumed water attributable to Unbilled Authorized Consumption for removal from the water loss calculation.

- 10. Hydro's customers consist primarily of large commercial businesses (hotels and an airport), a number of smaller retail businesses, and residential customers. The Company's commercial customers mainly serve tourists visiting the Grand Canyon National Park. Staff notes that high water usage among the Company's customers is consistent with the high volume of tourists who stay in Tusayan while visiting the Grand Canyon National Park.⁵
- 11. Staff concludes that the Company's water system has adequate capacity to serve its existing customer base and reasonable growth.⁶
- 12. According to an Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") Drinking Water Compliance Status Report dated March 10, 2016, Hydro is currently delivering water that meets the water quality standards required by 40 C.F.R. §§ 141.1, et seq. (National Primary Drinking Water Regulations) and Arizona Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapter 4. ADEQ inspected Hydro's water system on April 7, 2015, and found no major deficiencies in the operation, maintenance, or certified operator status of the water system.
- 13. Hydro is not located within an Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR") active management area ("AMA"). In a Water Provider Compliance Report dated February 10, 2016, ADWR determined that the Company is currently in compliance with departmental requirements governing water providers and/or community water systems.

⁵ Staff notes that according to Grand Canyon Park statistics, approximately 5.52 million people visited Grand Canyon National Park in 2015.

⁶ The Company does not expect an increase in customer growth within the next five years.

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- 14. Staff's Compliance Section database shows no outstanding compliance issues for the Company.
- Staff's Consumer Services Section database shows zero complaints filed against the 15. Company.
- 16. Hydro has Commission-approved Cross-Connection/Backflow and Curtailment Tariffs.

III. **Rate Application**

Α. Adjustments to Rate Base and Operating Income

- 17. Hydro proposed an original cost rate base ("OCRB") of \$983,376. According to Staff. the Company was only able to provide invoices to support approximately 22 percent of its total plant claimed to be in service. Staff therefore recommends that the Company be ordered to keep invoices for plant assets purchased in the future.
- 18. Staff's engineer visually inspected the system to verify the plant in service and concluded that the associated cost was reasonable. However, Staff found that some plant was no longer in use or had been abandoned. Staff therefore made corresponding rate base adjustments to reduce net plant in service, as well as adjustments reducing accumulated depreciation and cash working capital. Based on Staff's adjustments, Staff determined the Company's OCRB to be \$975,073. The Company did not dispute Staff's adjustments to rate base.
- 19. We find that Staff's adjustments to the Company's OCRB are reasonable and appropriate, and should be adopted. We further find that the Company's fair value rate base ("FVRB") is equivalent to its OCRB and is \$975,073.
- 20. Hydro and Staff are in agreement that total operating revenues for the Company during the test year were \$766,406.
- 21. Staff made several adjustments to the Company's test year operating expenses, resulting in a net decrease of \$39,973, from \$563,582 to \$523,609. The net decrease to test year operating expenses is due to Staff's adjustments to salaries and wages; water testing expense; depreciation expense; property tax expense; and income tax expense. The Company did not dispute Staff's adjustments to test year operating expenses.

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22. We find that Staff's adjustments to test year operating expenses are reasonable and appropriate and adopt an adjusted test year operating expense figure of \$523,609.

B. Revenue Requirement

- 23. The Company is proposing a \$102,677 decrease to its revenue requirement, from \$766,406 to \$663,729. Staff recommends approval of the Company's proposed revenue requirement.⁷ Based on Staff's analysis, the recommended revenue requirement would produce an operating income of \$140,120; a 14.37 percent rate of return on the Company's FVRB of \$975,073; a cash flow of \$179,470; and an operating margin of 21.11 percent. According to Staff, the recommended revenue requirement will provide the Company with sufficient cash flow to pay operating expenses and contingencies.
- 24. We find that the Company's proposed revenue requirement, as recommended by Staff, is just and reasonable and should be adopted.

C. Rate Design

25. The Company's current rate design does not include a monthly usage charge and charges all customers a flat rate of \$24.50 per 1,000 gallons of usage. The rates and charges for the Company at present, as proposed in the rate application, and as recommended by Staff are as follows:

MONTHLY USAGE CHARGE:	Current	Company Proposed	Staff Recommended
5/8" x ¾" Meter	\$0.00	\$54.40	\$43.00
¾" Meter	0.00	81.75	64.50
1" Meter	0.00	136.25	107.50
1 ½" Meter	0.00	272.50	215.00
2" Meter	0.00	436.00	344.00
3" Meter	0.00	872.00	688.00
4" Meter	0.00	1,362.00	1,075.00
6" Meter	0.00	2,725.00	2,150.00
8" Meter	0.00	4,360.00	3,440.00
10" Meter	0.00	6,267.50	4,945.00
12" Meter	0.00	11,717.50	9,245.00

⁷ Staff states that it is recommending the same revenue requirement as the Company because the Company is requesting a revenue decrease.

1	COMMODITY CHARGES: (Per 1,000 gallons)			
2	All Meters – All Gallons	\$24.50	N/A	N/A
3	An Matters An Ganons	Ψ27.30	IN/A	N/A
1	5/8" x 3/4" Meter – All Customers			
4	First 3,000 gallons	N/A	\$10.75	\$12.00
5	3,001 to 7,500 gallons Over 7,500 gallons	N/A N/A	13.05	13.66
6	3/4" Meter – Residential	IN/A	15.35	17.00
0	First 4,500 gallons	N/A	\$10.75	\$12.00
7	From 4,501 to 11,250 gallons	N/A	13.05	13.66
8	Over 11,250 gallons	N/A	15.35	17.00
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9	3/4" Meter – Commercial First 4,500 gallons	N/A	¢10.75	DT/A
10	From 4.501 to 7,500 gallons	N/A N/A	\$10.75 13.05	N/A N/A
10	Over 7,500 gallons	N/A	15.35	N/A
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12	First 4,500 gallons	N/A	N/A	\$12.00
12	From 4,501 to 11,250 gallon	N/A	N/A	13.66
13	Over 11,250 gallons	N/A	N/A	17.00
14	1" Meter – All Customers			
17	First 18,750 gallons	N/A	\$13.05	\$13.66
15	Over 18,750 gallons	N/A	15.35	17.00
16	1 1/2" Meter – All Customers			
	First 62,500 gallons	N/A	\$13.05	\$13.66
17	Over 62,500 gallons	N/A N/A	15.35	17.00
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	2" Meter – All Customers			
19	First 100,000 gallons	N/A	\$13.05	\$13.66
20	Over 100,000 gallons	N/A	15.35	17.00
	3" Meter – All Customers			
21	First 200,000 gallons	N/A	\$13.05	\$13.66
22	Over 200,000 gallons	N/A	15.35	17.00
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23	4" Meter – All Customers	NT/A	#12.0 5	010.66
24	First 312,500 gallons Over 312,500 gallons	N/A N/A	\$13.05 15.35	\$13.66
25	Over 312,500 ganons	1N/A	15.55	17.00
25	6" Meter – All Customers			
26	First 625,000 gallons	N/A	\$13.05	\$13.66
27	Over 625,000 gallons	N/A	15.35	17.00
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	First 1,000,000 gallo			N/A	\$13.05	\$13.66
2	Over 1,000,000 gallo	ons		N/A	15.35	17.00
3	10" Meter – All Cu	stamers				
	First 1,437,500 gallo			N/A	\$13.05	¢12.66
4	Over 1,437,500 gallo			N/A	15.35	\$13.66 17.00
5					13.33	17.00
3	12" Meter – All Cus	stomers				
6	First 2,687,500			N/A	\$13.05	\$13.66
_	Over 2,687,500			N/A	15.35	17.00
7	CEDITION					
8	SERVICE LINE AN	<u>D METER</u>	INSTALLA	TION CHARGE	<u>S:</u>	
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9		Current	<u>Company</u> Proposed	<u>Staff</u> Recommended	Staff Recommended	Staff Recommended
:	<u>Meter Sizes</u>	<u>Current</u> Total	Company Proposed Total	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended
10			Proposed			
:	5/8" x ³ / ₄ " Meter	Total Charges \$ 520	Proposed Total	Recommended Service Line	Recommended	Recommended
10 11	5/8" x ³ / ₄ " Meter ³ / ₄ " Meter	Total Charges \$ 520 620	Proposed Total Charges	Recommended Service Line Charges	Recommended Meter Charges	Recommended Total Charges
10	5/8" x ³ / ₄ " Meter ³ / ₄ " Meter 1" Meter	Total Charges \$ 520 620 730	Proposed Total Charges At Cost At Cost At Cost	Recommended Service Line Charges At Cost	Recommended Meter Charges At Cost	Recommended Total Charges At Cost
10 11	5/8" x ¾" Meter ¾" Meter 1" Meter 1 ½" Meter	Total Charges \$ 520 620 730 995	Proposed Total Charges At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost	Recommended Service Line Charges At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost	Recommended Meter Charges At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost	Recommended Total Charges At Cost At Cost
10 11 12 13	5/8" x ¾" Meter ¾" Meter 1" Meter 1 ½" Meter 2" Meter Turbo	Total Charges \$ 520 620 730 995 1,795	Proposed Total Charges At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost	Recommended Service Line Charges At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost At Cost	Recommended Meter Charges At Cost	Recommended Total Charges At Cost
10 11 12	5/8" x 3/4" Meter 3/4" Meter 1" Meter 1 ½" Meter 2" Meter Turbo 2" Meter Compound	Total Charges \$ 520 620 730 995 1,795 2,640	Proposed Total Charges At Cost	Recommended Service Line Charges At Cost	Recommended Meter Charges At Cost	Recommended Total Charges At Cost
10 11 12 13 14	5/8" x ¾" Meter ¾" Meter 1" Meter 1 ½" Meter 2" Meter Turbo 2" Meter Compound 3" Meter Turbo	Total Charges \$ 520 620 730 995 1,795 2,640 2,635	Proposed Total Charges At Cost	Recommended Service Line Charges At Cost	Recommended Meter Charges At Cost	Recommended Total Charges At Cost
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10 11 12 13 14	5/8" x 3/4" Meter 3/4" Meter 1" Meter 1 1/2" Meter 2" Meter Turbo 2" Meter Compound 3" Meter Turbo 3" Meter Turbo 4" Meter Turbo	Total Charges \$ 520 620 730 995 1,795 2,640 2,635 3,630 4,000	Proposed Total Charges At Cost	Recommended Service Line Charges At Cost	Recommended Meter Charges At Cost	Recommended Total Charges At Cost
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18	8" Meter & Larger At Cost At Cost	At Cost	At Cost	At Cost
19	SERVICE CHARGES:	Current	Company	Staff
20	Establishment	\$25.00	Proposed #25.00	Recommended
	Meter Re-Read (If Correct)	•	\$25.00	\$25.00
21		\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
	Meter Test (If Correct)	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
22	Deposit	(a)	(a)	(a)
	Deposit Interest	(a)	(a)	(a)
23	Re-Establishment (Within 12 months)	(b)	(b)	(b)
24	Reconnection (Delinquent)	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
۲-٦	Charge for NSF Check	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
25	Deferred Payment Finance Charge (Per Month	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
	Late Payment Penalty (Per month)	1.50%	1.50%	1.50%
26	Charge for Moving Meter (Customer Request)	N/A	At Cost (c)	At Cost (c)
07	After Hours Service Charge	N/A	\$35.00 (d)	\$35.00 (d)
27	Main Extension	At Cost (c)	At Cost (c)	At Cost (c)
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- Per A.A.C. R14-2-403(B). (a)
- (b) Per A.A.C. R14-2-403(D).
- Cost to include parts, labor, overhead, and all applicable taxes, including income tax. (c)

(d) Applies to all services performed after hours and at the customer's request.

In addition to the collection of its regular rates and charges, the Company shall collect from its customers their proportionate share of any privilege, sale or use tax in accordance with R14-2-409(D)(5).

The rates and revenue requirements proposed by the parties would have the following 26. monthly bill impacts on the typical residential 5/8 x 3/4-inch meter customer with median usage of 2,167 gallons:

Typical 5/8 x 3/4-inch Residential Meter with Median Usage

	Current Rates	Proposed Rates	Dollar Increase	% Increase
Hydro	\$53.08	\$77.79	\$24.71	46.55
Staff	\$53.08	\$69.00	\$15.92	29.99

- 27. Under Staff's recommended rates, approximately 32.15 percent of the revenue requirement would be derived from the monthly usage charges, with the remaining 68.85 percent derived from the commodity charges. Since the Company's current rates generate 100 percent of revenues from the commodity charges, Staff states that its recommended rate structure supports rate change gradualism. Staff notes that some customers will experience a rate increase even though the Company's overall revenue requirement is lower due to the introduction of a monthly minimum charge in the Company's rate design. The Company did not object to Staff's recommended rate design.
- 28. In its application, the Company proposes monthly usage charges that are 26.74 percent higher across all meter sizes than the monthly usage charges recommended by Staff.⁸ Given that the Company's current rate structure derives 100 percent of revenues from the commodity charges, we agree with Staff that the introduction of a monthly usage charge should be accomplished in a more gradual manner. Under the circumstances of this case, and given that there is no opposition to Staff's

Staff notes that the Company's proposed rate design produces an operating revenue of \$691,989, which is \$28,260 higher than its proposed revenue requirement of \$663,729.

recommendations, we believe that Staff's recommended rate design strikes a reasonable balance between providing revenue stability for the Company, while mitigating the bill impact to customers. Accordingly, we find that Staff's recommended rates and charges are just and reasonable and should be adopted.

IV. Staff's Recommendations

- 29. Staff recommends the following:
 - a) That Staff's recommended rates and charges be approved;
 - b) That Hydro file with Docket Control, as a compliance item in this docket, within 30 days of the effective date of this Decision, a schedule of the rates and charges approved herein;
 - c) That Hydro be ordered to keep invoices for plant assets purchased in the future;
 - d) That the annual water testing expenses of \$1,864 be used for the purposes of this proceeding;
 - e) That Hydro file with Docket Control, as a compliance item in this docket, within 12 months of the effective date of this Decision, a report acknowledging that the automatic fire pump control system has been completed;
 - f) That Hydro begin tracking, quantifying, and recording all consumed water associated with Unbilled Authorized Consumption for removal from the water loss ratio calculation;
 - g) That Hydro monitor its water system for a 12 month period to prepare a water loss report. The Company should account for its Unbilled Authorized Consumption (gallons) and remove that quantity from the water loss calculation. If the reported water loss is greater than 10 percent, the Company shall prepare a report containing a detailed analysis and plan to reduce the water loss to 10 percent or less. If the Company believes it is not cost effective to reduce the water loss to less than 10 percent, it should submit a detailed cost benefit analysis to support its opinion. In no case shall the Company allow water loss to be greater than 15 percent. The water loss reduction report or the detailed analysis, whichever is

1	submitted, shall be filed with Docket Control, as a compliance item in this docket
2	within 18 months of the effective date of this Decision;
3	h) That Hydro be ordered to use the depreciation rates delineated in Table G of the
4	Engineering Report portion of the Staff Report in this matter;
5	i) That Hydro's proposed miscellaneous service charges be approved; and
6	j) That Hydro's proposed service line and meter installation charges be approved.
7	30. The Company did not object to Staff's recommendations.
8	31. We find that Staff's recommendations are reasonable and appropriate and should be
9	adopted.
10	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
11	1. Hydro-Resources, Inc. is a public service corporation within the meaning of Article
12	XV of the Arizona Constitution and A.R.S. §§ 40-250 and 40-251.
13	2. The Commission has jurisdiction over Hydro-Resources, Inc. and the subject matter of
14	the rate application.
15	3. Notice of the rate application was provided in the manner prescribed by law.
16	4. The fair value of Hydro-Resources, Inc.'s utility plant and property is \$975,073.
17	5. The rates, charges, and conditions of service authorized herein are just, reasonable
18	and in the public interest and should be approved without a hearing.
19	6. Staff's recommendations are just and reasonable and in the public interest.
20	<u>ORDER</u>
21	IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Hydro-Resources, Inc. is hereby directed to file with
22	Docket Control, as a compliance item in this docket, by June 30, 2016, revised rate schedules setting
23	forth the following rates and charges:
24	MONTHLY USAGE CHARGES:
25	(All Customers)
26	5/8" x ³ / ₄ " Meter \$43.00 ³ / ₄ " Meter 64.50
27	1" Meter 107.50
28	1 ½" Meter 215.00

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1	2" Meter	344.00
_ ^	3" Meter	688.00
2	4" Meter	1,075.00
3	6" Meter 8" Meter	2,150.00
3	10" Meter	3,440.00
4	12" Meter	4,945.00 9,245.00
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5	COMMODITY CHARGES:	
6	(Per 1,000 gallons)	
7	FION CLANDE	
7	5/8" x 3/4" Meter – Residential & Commercial	0.10.00
8	First 3,000 gallons 3,001 to 7,500 gallons	\$12.00
	Over 7,500 gallons	13.66
9	over 7,500 garons	17.00
10	3/4" Meter – Residential & Commercial	
	First 4,500 gallons	\$12.00
11	From 4,501 to 11,250 gallons	13.66
12	Over 11,250 gallons	17.00
	1" Meter – Residential & Commercial	
13	First 18,750 gallons	\$13.66
14	Over 18,750 gallons	17.00
		17.00
15	1 1/2" Meter – Residential & Commercial	
16	First 62,500 gallons	\$13.66
	Over 62,500 gallons	17.00
17	2" Meter – Residential & Commercial	
18	First 100,000 gallons	\$13.66
10	Over 100,000 gallons	17.00
19		1,.00
20	3" Meter - Residential & Commercial	
20	First 200,000 gallons	\$13.66
21	Over 200,000 gallons	17.00
22	4" Meter – Residential & Commercial	
22	First 312,500 gallons	\$13.66
23	Over 312, 500 gallons	17.00
24	6" Meter - Residential & Commercial	17.00
24	First 625,000 gallons	\$13.66
25	Over 625,000 gallons	17.00
2	On Materia Decident's Long	
26	8" Meter – Residential & Commercial First 1,000,000 gallons	412. <i>CC</i>
27	Over 1,000,000 gallons	\$13.66 17.00
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1	10" Meter – Residential & Con	nmercial			
	First 1,437,500 gallons Over 1,437,500 gallons			\$13.66	
2	Over 1,437,300 ganons			17.00	
3	12" Meter – Residential & Coi	nmercial			
4	First 2,687,500 gallons			\$13.66	
7	Over 2,687,500 gallons			17.00	
5	SERVICE LINE AND METE	R INSTALLATIO)N		
6	CHARGES:		<u></u>		
7	<u>Meter Sizes</u>				
8		Service Line	<u>Meter</u>	Total	
U	5/02 3/23 8 4	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Charge</u>	
9	5/8" x ³ / ₄ " Meter	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	
	3/4" Meter	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	
10	1" Meter 1 ½" Meter	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	
11		At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	
11	2" Meter (Turbo & Compound) 3" Meter (Turbo & Compound)	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	
12	4" Meter (Turbo & Compound)	At Cost (a) At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	
	6" Meter (Turbo & Compound)	At Cost (a) At Cost (a)	At Cost (a) At Cost (a)	At Cost (a)	
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	SERVICE CHARGES:				
15	Establishment		\$25.00		
16	Meter Re-Read (If Correct)		\$15.00		
10	Meter Test (If Correct)		\$40.00		
17	Deposit		(b)		
	Deposit Interest	• `	(b)		
18	Re-Establishment (Within 12 mo	onths)	(c)		
19	Reconnection (Delinquent)		\$25.00		
17	Charge for NSF Check	as (Dan Manth)	\$20.00		
20	Deferred Payment Finance Char Late Payment Penalty (Per mont		1.50% 1.50%		
	Charge for Moving Meter (Custo	,	At Cost (a)		
21	After Hours Service Charge	mer requesty	\$35.00 (d)		
22	Main Extension		At Cost (a)		
			1 20 2 222 (22)		
23	(a) Cost to include par	ts, labor, overhead	, and all applicable t	taxes, including inco	me tax.
24	(b) Per A.A.C. R14-2- (c) Per A.A.C. R14-2-				
- '	(d) Applies to all servi	ces performed afte	r hours and at the cu	istomer's request	
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26	In addition to the o	collection of its reg	ular rates and charg	es, the Company sha	ıll collect
26	from its customer accordance with R	s tneir proportion	ate share of any p	privilege, sale or us	se tax in
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analysis, whichever is submitted, shall be filed with Docket Control, as a compliance item in this

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the above rates and charges shall be effective for all service provided on and after July 1, 2016.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Hydro-Resources, Inc. shall, as a compliance item in this docket, notify its customers of the authorized rates and charges and their effective date, in a form acceptable to the Commission's Utilities Division Staff, by means of an insert in its next regularly scheduled billing, and file a copy with Docket Control within thirty (30) days of the date notice is sent to customers.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Hydro-Resources, Inc. shall use the depreciation rates delineated in Table G of the Engineering Report portion of the Staff Report in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Hydro-Resources, Inc. shall keep all invoices for plant assets purchased in the future.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Hydro-Resources, Inc. shall file with Docket Control, as a compliance item in this docket, within 12 months of the effective date of this Decision, a report acknowledging that the fire pump system has been converted from manual to automatic control.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Hydro-Resources, Inc. shall begin tracking, quantifying, and recording the gallons of water attributable to Unbilled Authorized Consumption for removal from the water loss calculation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Hydro-Resources, Inc. shall monitor its water system for a 12-month period for the purpose of preparing a water loss report. The Company should account for the gallons of water use attributable to Unbilled Authorized Consumption and remove that quantity from the water loss calculation. If the reported water loss is greater than 10 percent, the Company shall prepare a report containing a detailed analysis and plan to reduce the water loss to 10 percent or less. If the Company believes it is not cost effective to reduce the water loss to less than 10 percent, it should submit a detailed cost benefit analysis to support its opinion. In no case shall the Company allow water loss to be greater than 15 percent. The water loss reduction report or the detailed docket, within 18 months of the effective date of this Decision.

		BOCKET NO. W-20770A-10-0020
1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED	that Hydro-Resources, Inc. shall file annually, as part of its
2	Annual Report, an affidavit with the	Commission's Utilities Division attesting that it is current in
3	paying its property taxes in Arizona.	
4	IT IS FURTHER ORDEREI	O that, in addition to the collection of its regular rates and
5	charges, Hydro-Resources, Inc. sha	ll collect from its customers a proportionate share of any
6	privilege, sales or use tax in accordance	ce with A.A.C. R14-2-409(D).
7	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED	that this Decision shall become effective immediately
8	BY ORDER OF THE	ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION.
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15 16	[] []	N WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JODI JERICH, Executive Director of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have necessary to set my hand and caused the official seal of the
17	7	Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, hisday of2016.
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